

## REMEDATION AND REDEVELOPMENT (RR) NEWS FROM WISCONSIN DNR October 15, 2003

### EPA BROWNFIELD GRANTS DUE DECEMBER 4

EPA has established December 4, 2003 as the deadline for federal brownfield grant applications, and has finalized their "Guidelines for the Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup Grants". Applicants may seek 3 types of EPA grants for use at sites contaminated by petroleum and hazardous substances. 1) Assessment grants (up to \$200,000 or more over two years) allow inventory, assessment and planning and require no cost-share. 2) Revolving loan fund grants (up to \$1,000,000 over five years) allow capitalization of a revolving loan fund and subgrants for cleanup projects. 3) Cleanup grants (up to \$200,000 over two years) allow environmental cleanup at sites owned by the grant recipient. Revolving loan funds and cleanup grants require a 20% local cost share, which applicants may ask EPA to waive. Applicants for assessment and revolving loan fund grants do not have to identify specific properties that will be addressed through the grant, but would need to ensure that properties that are chosen later are eligible for the grant. For more information about these grants, including links to the federal guidelines and DNR's "Tip for Applicants", please see our federal brownfields page at [http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/financial/federal\\_brflids.html](http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/financial/federal_brflids.html).

### ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CONFERENCE NOV 17 & 18

A conference on environmental health sponsored by the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services will be held in Madison at the Monona Terrace on November 17 and 18. The conference includes both "Assessing and Addressing Environmental Health: At Home, School, Work and Play", and "Look Out for Lead 2003", the 8th annual conference on childhood lead poisoning, prevention and treatment. If you're interested in what's happening in environmental health in Wisconsin and the nation, this is the conference for you. Conference topics include: chemicals in the home, moisture issues in buildings, beaches & water parks, impacts of environmental toxins on the nervous system and brain development, environmental health assessment tools, environmental allergens and asthma, injury prevention and more. National, state and local experts in the environmental health field will be speaking. This is an excellent opportunity to attend a dynamic conference and enjoy a stay in the state's capitol city! You'll find the conference brochure, a detailed listing of topics and timetables, and registration information at this web site: <http://www.cals.wisc.edu/cos/Current%20Programs.html>.

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